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I do not approve of the settlement with Microsoft, Inc.

I believe the settlement is neither adequate compensation for the damage done or appropriate to restore vigor and diversity to the software development business. I have had long experience in software development dating back to vacuum tube computers. I watched the extreme expansion of software in the 70's and 80's. Comparatively, little has been done in the last decade. Was this because of Microsoft? Was the "Dot.com" revolution technically where it was and when it was because Microsoft wasn't?

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